

54 Stat. 1168.
8 U. S. C. § 801 (e).

ing the provisions of section 401 (e) of the Nationality Act of 1940, as amended, Mrs. Clara Raffloer Droesse shall be held and considered to have retained her United States citizenship.

[Note by the Federal Register Division.—The foregoing Act, having been presented to the President of the United States on Monday, June 25, 1951, for his approval and not having been returned by him to the House of Congress in which it originated within the time prescribed by the Constitution of the United States, has become a law without his approval.]

Private Law 145

CHAPTER 218

AN ACT

July 9, 1951
[H. R. 512]

Conferring jurisdiction upon the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts to hear, determine, and render judgment upon the claim of Mrs. Walter J. Bickford.

Mrs. Walter J. Bickford.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That jurisdiction is hereby conferred upon the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts to hear, determine, and render judgment upon the claim of Mrs. Walter J. Bickford, of Andover, Massachusetts, against the United States for damages sustained as a result of blasting operations conducted on the Merrimack River near Lowell, Massachusetts, during the year 1937 in connection with the prosecution of a flood-control project under the supervision of the Army engineers.

SEC. 2. In the determination of such claim, the United States shall be held liable for such damages, and for any acts committed by any of its officers or employees, to the same extent as if the United States were a private person.

SEC. 3. Suit upon such claim may be instituted at any time within one year after the enactment of this Act, notwithstanding the lapse of time or any statute of limitation: *Provided*, That the city of Lowell, Massachusetts, is named as a party defendant in said suit. Proceedings for the determination of such claim, and appeals from and payment of any judgment thereon, shall be in the same manner as in the cases of claims over which such court has jurisdiction under the provisions of section 1346 of title 28, United States Code, as amended. Enactment of this Act shall not be construed as an implication of liability on the part of the United States.

62 Stat. 933.

Approved July 9, 1951.

Private Law 146

CHAPTER 224

AN ACT

July 13, 1951
[S. 636]

For the relief of the estate of Sidney Lomax, deceased.

Estate of Sidney Lomax.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized and directed to pay, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to the estate of Sidney Lomax, deceased, the sum of \$5,000 in full satisfaction of all claims against the United States for compensation for the death of the said Sidney Lomax, who died as a result of injuries received when he was struck by a United States Army truck in Starkville, Mississippi, on November 27, 1943: *Provided*, That no part of the amount appropriated in this Act in excess of 10 per centum thereof shall be paid or delivered to or received by any agent or attorney on account of services

rendered in connection with this claim, and the same shall be unlawful, any contract to the contrary notwithstanding. Any person violating the provisions of this Act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in any sum not exceeding \$1,000.

Approved July 13, 1951.

Private Law 147

CHAPTER 225

AN ACT

For the relief of Joseph A. Myers, Hazel C. Myers, and Helen Myers.

July 13, 1951
[H. R. 953]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to pay, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to Joseph A. Myers, Hazel C. Myers, and Helen Myers, 115 Bentley Street, Alexandria, Louisiana, the sum of \$1,000, in full settlement of all claims against the United States on account of personal injuries and loss in earnings, which resulted from an accident in which the automobile owned by Joseph A. Myers was struck by an Army vehicle on Highway 71 in the Parish of Grant near Colfax, State of Louisiana, on June 13, 1943: *Provided*, That no part of the amount appropriated in this Act in excess of 10 per centum thereof shall be paid or delivered to or received by any agent or agents, attorney or attorneys, on account of services rendered in connection with said claims. It shall be unlawful for any agent or agents, attorney or attorneys, to exact, collect, withhold, or receive any sum of the amount appropriated in this Act in excess of 10 per centum thereof on account of services rendered in connection with said claims, any contract to the contrary notwithstanding. Any person violating the provisions of this Act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in any sum not exceeding \$1,000.

Joseph A., Hazel C.,
and Helen Myers.

Approved July 13, 1951.

Private Law 148

CHAPTER 227

AN ACT

For the relief of Paul D. Banning, chief disbursing officer, Treasury Department, and for other purposes.

July 16, 1951
[S. 1438]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there be hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$2,625.40 of which amount (a) not to exceed the sum of \$1,641.41 shall be credited in the accounts of Paul D. Banning, chief disbursing officer, Treasury Department, not to exceed the sum of \$207.68 shall be credited in the accounts of E. J. Brennan, former chief disbursing officer, Treasury Department; and not to exceed the sum of \$416.31 shall be credited in the accounts of Guy F. Allen, former chief disbursing officer, Treasury Department, such credits being allowed to adjust certain overdrafts in such accounts; and (b) not to exceed the stated sums shall be paid to the following-named employees of the Bureau of Internal Revenue in reimbursement for amounts paid by them from their personal funds on account of counterfeit bills and notes accepted by them while in the discharge of their official duties: J. W. Bell; Florence Brown; Rosamond H. Cross; Charles

Paul D. Banning
and others.